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Monday, 6 May 2013

Security Council

10:00 — 6960th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Morning[1] — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room GA-TSC-02

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Other matters

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 6960th meeting of the Council.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1970 (2011) concerning Libya

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 7 (NLB)

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General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

Informal informal consultations on the intergovernmental process on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system will be held on *Monday, 6 May 2013,* at 10:00 and 15:00, and on Tuesday, 7 May, at 15:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB). A letter from the Office of the President of the General Assembly, dated 1 May 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
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High-level meeting on the appraisal of the Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons (13–14 May 2013)

The organizational arrangements for the high-level meeting are described in General Assembly resolution 67/260 of 1 May 2013 (text currently contained in A/67/L.62). Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 28 February and 2 May 2013, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. The list of speakers is now open for the formal plenary meetings to be held on Monday, 13 May 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, and on Tuesday, 14 May, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the General Assembly Hall. Delegations wishing to participate are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; room S-3082; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; fax 1 (212) 963-3783). Statements in the formal plenary meetings should not exceed *five minutes*.

The two consecutive interactive panel discussions will be held on Monday, 13 May, from 15:00 to 18:00. While a list of speakers will not be maintained, Members States are encouraged to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org) in which panel discussion they wish to intervene. Interventions in the interactive panel discussions should not exceed *three minutes*.

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Friday, 14 June 2013, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to elect the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session (agenda item 4). Immediately following the plenary meeting, the Main Committees will hold their consecutive meetings for the purpose of electing their Chairs at the sixty-eighth session (agenda item 5) and their respective Bureaux. Immediately following the meetings of the Main Committees, the General Assembly will hold another plenary meeting to elect the Vice-Presidents at its sixty-eighth session (agenda item 6). The Chairs of regional groups who have not yet communicated their nominations are requested to do so, *as soon as possible*, in order to facilitate the scheduled elections in a timely manner. Communications should be sent by e-mail to the General Assembly Affairs Branch (muturi@un.org) or sent by fax (1 (212) 963-3783). Telephone inquiries may be addressed to the focal point, Ms. Mary Muturi (tel. 1 (212) 963-2337). An updated list of candidates can be found on the CandiWeb (https://eroom.un.org/eRoom).

General Assembly

Sixty-seventh session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

10:00 — 27th meeting (resumed) [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

1. Action on outstanding issues
2. Closure of the work of the Fifth Committee during the first part of the resumed sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly

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Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10:15 — 28th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

1. Organization of work (A/C.5/67/L.32)

   General discussion

2. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/67/5 (Vol. II)*, A/67/741 and A/67/782) [item 128]

   Introduction and general discussion

3. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Closed peacekeeping missions (A/67/739 and A/67/837) [item 146]

   Introduction and general discussion

4. Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping operations:

   Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (A/67/578 and A/67/780/Add.3) [item 154]

   Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan (A/67/586 and A/67/780/Add.13) [item 160]

   Financing of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic (A/67/707 and A/67/780/Add.2) [item 161]

   Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1] to 13:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on agenda item 146 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Closed peacekeeping missions (A/67/739, A/67/837, A/66/665, A/66/713 and A/66/713/Corr.1))

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[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 28th meeting of the Committee.

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 154 (Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (A/67/578 and A/67/780/Add.3));

Agenda item 160 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan (A/67/586, A/67/780/Add.13, A/66/608 and A/66/718/Add.5)); and

Agenda item 161 (Financing of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic (A/67/707 and A/67/780/Add.2))

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction
Intersessional workshops

Workshop 2 entitled "Conservation and management tools, including area-based management and environmental impact assessments"

10:00 to 11:30 Open meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Panel 1: Key ecosystem functions and processes in areas beyond national jurisdiction

11:30 to 13:00 Open meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Panel 2: Impacts and challenges to marine biodiversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction

15:00 to 16:30 Open meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Panel 3: New and emerging uses of, and experimental activities in, areas beyond national jurisdiction

16:30 to 18:00 Open meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Panel 4: Types of area-based management tools

Economic and Social Council

Resumed organizational session

11:00 to 13:00 11th meeting [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

   Basic programme of work of the Council [item 3]

   Action on draft decision E/2013/L.5

2. Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments [item 4]

   (a) Committee for Programme and Coordination

   (b) Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

3. Briefing by the Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs and Secretary of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, on the work of the Chief Executives Board

Informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/67/251 and A/67/252. The meetings under this header are closed.*

Monday, 6 May 2013

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room E (NLB).

Other meetings

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Monday, 6 May 2013

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

09:00 to 10:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7 (NLB)

African Group (on Second Committee and related matters)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room A (CB)

Other activities

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Monday, 6 May 2013

Briefing on "The work of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS)" (by the Chair of the Committee) (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Food Programme (WFP), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the NGO Working Group on Food and Hunger)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail lon-registry@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6036); or Ms. Jessica Hall, NGO Working Group on Food and Hunger (e-mail jessicahall@globalpolicy.org; tel. 1 (212) 808-5360).]

Special event on "Meeting challenges of the health MDGs and beyond: The innovative approach of the International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B)" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh and Norway, in cooperation with ICDDR,B))

From 15:00 to 17:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB). [webcast]

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Jamal Uddin Ahmed, Permanent Mission of Bangladesh (e-mail jamal.ahmed100@yahoo.com; tel. 1 (917) 216-3448).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Monday, 6 May 2013

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

The Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly will hold its 3rd meeting on Tuesday, 7 May 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB). A letter from the Office of the President of the General Assembly, dated 30 April 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

Announcements

The agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/251 (see document A/67/252* for the allocation of items). Annotations can be found in document A/67/100 and A/67/100/Add.1.

The following agenda items remain for consideration during the sixty-seventh session, apart from organizational matters and items that may have to be considered by operation of the rules of procedure of the Assembly: items 9, 11, 13 to 15, 20 (a) and (h), 30, 31, 33 to 37, 39, 40, 42 to 48, 54, 56, 60, 63 (a) and (b), 70 (a) to (c), 74, 94 (b), 103, 106, 107, 110 (a) and (b), 111 (f) and (h), 112, 113, 115 to 117, 118 (a) and (b), 119, 120, 121 (a), (b), (g), (i), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (v), 122, 124 to 126, 128 (a) to (r), 129 to 157, 158 (a) and (b), and 159 to 164.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–16 September 2013). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please call 1 (212) 963-5063 (room S-3082). A tentative schedule of General Assembly meetings is also available at the following address: www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/67schedule.shtml.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Tuesday, 7 May 2013, at 10:00 and 15:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-third session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-third session at Headquarters from Monday, 3, to Friday, 21 June 2013.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly, *no later than Friday, 17 May 2013*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Seventh session

Central African Republic Configuration

An informal meeting of the Central African Republic configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Wednesday, 8 May 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council

Special meeting on international cooperation in tax matters

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 2012/33 and decision 2013/204, the President of the Council, His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia), will convene a one-day meeting of the Council on Wednesday, 29 May 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB), to consider the question of international cooperation in tax matters, including institutional arrangements to promote such cooperation.

The Council will have before it the report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters on its eighth session (E/2012/45) and the report of the

Secretary-General on further progress in strengthening the work of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (to be issued).

During the morning session, there will be two panel discussions on the themes: (1) "International tax cooperation: Capacity development"; and (2) "Current issues in countering international tax avoidance and tax evasion", followed by a general discussion. The afternoon session will feature the launch of the *United Nations Transfer Pricing Practical Manual for Developing Countries*, followed by a panel discussion on the theme "Transfer pricing challenges for developing countries", after which the general discussion will continue.

Members and observers of the Economic and Social Council and representatives of intergovernmental organizations are requested to provide, *in writing*, as soon as possible, the composition of their delegation to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; room S-1282)), with a copy to the Financing for Development Office (Ms. Victoria Panghulan (e-mail panghulanv@un.org; room DC2-2186A)).

Further details are available on the Financing for Development website (*click here*). For more information, please contact Ms. Dominika Halka (e-mail halka@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6653).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2013 resumed session

The 2013 resumed session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from Monday, 20, to Wednesday, 29 May 2013, and on Friday, 7 June 2013, in Conference Room 1 (NLB). The annotated provisional agenda is contained in document E/C.2/2013/1.

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who have not done so during the regular session, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note-verbale to the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Sonia Elliott (c/o Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; room S-3057)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee, its procedures, forms and documentation are available on the Web site of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs *(click here)*. Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Twelfth session

The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will hold its twelfth session from Monday, 20, to Friday, 31 May 2013, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber (CB). The ceremonial opening meeting of the Forum will be held on Monday, 20 May, at 11:00, in the General Assembly Hall. The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/C.19/2013/1, and the proposed organization of work is contained in document E/C.19/2013/L.1.

Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations, in advance of the session, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Only those observers who indicate their participation *by Wednesday, 15 May 2013*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the Trusteeship Council Chamber on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For background and other related documents of the twelfth session of the Forum, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/indigenous.

The twelfth session of the Permanent Forum will be served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal.

QR Code posters with the PaperSmart Portal link will be put up in the conference room to enable easy access to the Portal via QR Code scanners on devices. Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

The list of speakers is open. Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the secretariat (Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Committee for Programme and Coordination

Fifty-third session

The fifty-third session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held from Monday, 3, to Friday, 28 June 2013.

Members of the Committee wishing to attend the session are requested to communicate the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, *in writing*, by notes verbales to the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail cpc@un.org; room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Committee wishing to participate as observers should communicate, also via note verbale, the composition of their delegations to the Secretariat, well in advance of the session.

All relevant documentation and the provisional and tentative programme of work of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for the fifty-third session will be available on the website of the Committee (*click here*).

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services will hold informal consultations, as indicated below. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Tuesday, 14 May 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room B (CB): on the report of the UNDP Office of Audit and Investigation;

Tuesday, 21 May 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the strategic plan 2008-2013; and management response;

Friday, 24 May 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the annual report on evaluation and management response;

Tuesday, 28 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Chamber (CB): on the UNDP evaluation of the global programme and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Africa and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Arab States and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Asia and the Pacific States and management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States and the management response; and the evaluation of the regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean States and the management response; and

Wednesday, 29 May 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB): on the evaluation of the UNDP contribution to South-South and triangular cooperation (2008-2011) and management response.

Pre-session informal consultation

A pre-session informal consultation of the Executive Board will take place on Friday, 17 May 2013, from 11:00 to 12:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

Annual session 2013

The annual session 2013 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will be held from Monday, 3, to Friday, 14 June, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and workplan for the session will be issued in document DP/2013/L.2.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org), as early as possible, *but no later than Tuesday, 28 May*.

The upcoming annual session of the Executive Board will be PaperSmart. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The statements will be distributed

electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then. Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services. Please note that hard copies of statements will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

A printing-on-demand service will be made available to members of the Executive Board and observer delegations upon request, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room. Delegations are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Forthcoming other meetings

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International Criminal Court: Meeting of the Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

Tuesday, 7 May 2013, from 08:45 to 09:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (Second Committee and Third Committee experts) (presentation on "Human security: Implications for public health")

Tuesday, 7 May 2013, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Launch of the *State of the World's Mothers Report 2013* — Surviving the First Day (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Zambia and Save the Children)

Tuesday, 7 May 2013, from 09:00 to 10:30, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Zambia (Mr. Chibaula D. Silwamba (tel. 1 (646) 240-5430; Mr. Langford Banda (tel. 1 (718) 559-2558); or Mr. Silvester Mwanza (tel. 1 (917) 215-3562).]

Informal meeting on "The draft terms of reference of UN-Oceans"

Tuesday, 7 May 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[The informal meeting is open to all interested members of permanent missions and to designated UN-Oceans agency representatives. For further information, please contact Mr. Andrew Hudson, UN-Oceans (email andrew.hudson@undp.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-6228).]

Presentation on "The practical correctional rehabilitation programme and the role in countering terrorism of the Mohammed bin Nayef Centre for Counselling and Care" (co-organized by the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Center (UNCCT)/Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) Office and the Permanent Mission of Saudi Arabia)

Wednesday, 8 May 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nargiza Turapova, CTITF/UNCCT (e-mail turapova@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5658); or the Permanent Mission of Saudi Arabia (Mr. Walid Al-Bawardi (e-mail wbawardi@me.com; tel. 1 (212) 557-1525, ext. 1059); and Ms. Sarah Husseini (e-mail sarah.husseini@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 557-1525, ext. 1003).]

High-level event on "Human security" (organized by the Human Security Unit, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and co-sponsored by the Member States of the Human Security Network (Austria, Chile, Costa Rica, Greece, Ireland, Jordan, Mali, Norway, Panama, Slovenia, Switzerland and Thailand, with South Africa as an observer) and the Permanent Missions of Honduras, Japan and Mexico)

Wednesday, 8 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[Addresses will be made by the Secretary-General and the Deputy Secretary-General, and a panel discussion will be held on the implementation of human security. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Guyatri James, Human Security Unit (e-mail jamesg@un.org); or *click here*.]

Briefing for Member States by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Thursday, 9 May 2013, from 11:00 to 12:30, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information please contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR New York Office (e-mail vasic@un.org).]

Official launch of the *2013 Global Assessment Report on Disaster Risk Reduction* — From Shared Risk to Shared Value: The Business Case for Disaster Risk Reduction (organized by the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR))

Wednesday, 15 May 2013, from 10:00 to 11:00, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the UNISDR Liaison Office in New York (e-mail palm@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-8104.]

Seminar on "Democracy and building resilient communities" (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA))

Wednesday, 15 May 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15.00 to 17:00, in Conference Room D (CB).

[The seminar is open to members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142 (unless otherwise indicated), in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*); or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Introduction to United Nations documents

Wednesday, 8 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in English*);

Wednesday, 15 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in Spanish*); and

Tuesday, 28 May 2013 (from 10:00 to 12:00) (*in English*).

Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library resources and databases (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 9 May 2013.

Overview of the Legal Library (from 15:30 to 16:30)

Tuesday, 14 May 2013.

RSS feeds (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Friday, 17 May 2013.

Advanced research using subscription e-resources (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Tuesday, 21 May 2013

Security Council documentation (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 23 May 2013.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Wednesday, 15 May 2013,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Charlotte Laut Hernandez (fmct@unog.ch).

Resolution 67/53, para. 2, entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/14-2013/FMCT dated 31 January 2013 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Friday, 31 May 2013,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 44/116 O, paras. 8 and 9, entitled "Review Conference of the parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil Thereof", adopted on 15 December 1989 (Note verbale ODA/11-2013/SEA-BED dated 21 February 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/27, paras. 2 and 3, entitled "Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/18-2013/IS dated 22 February 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/28, paras. 10 and 11, entitled "Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/09-2013/NWFZME dated 25 February 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/33, para. 3, entitled "Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/10-2012/ICJ dated 25 February 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/37, para. 4, entitled "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/16-2013/EN dated 25 February 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/38, para. 8, entitled "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/17-2013/ML dated 19 February 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/44, para. 5, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/12-2013/WMDT dated 15 February 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/48, para. 6, entitled "Women, disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/27-2013/WAD dated 25 February 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/61, para. 8, entitled "Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/26-2013/CBMRSC dated 28 February 2013 refers); and

Resolution 67/75, para. 8, entitled "Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region" adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/25-2013/SSCMR dated 25 February 2013 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line through www.un.org/disarmament/convarms/Milex/, by ***Friday, 31 May 2013***, the information relevant to resolution 66/39, paras. 2, 3, 4 and 5 (a), entitled "Transparency in armaments", adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/06-2013/TIA dated 18 March 2013 refers).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2013:

Second Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (28 May 2013), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances (*click here* for general information);

Sixth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (30 May 2013), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information); and

Twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination will meet (3 June 2013), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before the meeting*.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High

Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; room S-1308)). For any clarifications on these elections, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

Arms Trade Treaty
(New York, 2 April 2013)

Opening for signature

The Arms Trade Treaty was adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 67/234B of 2 April 2013.

In accordance with its article 21, the Treaty shall be open for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York by all States from Monday, 3 June 2013, until its entry into force.

Certified true copies of the Treaty, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, are under preparation. Electronic copies of the Treaty will be made available soon on the United Nations Treaty Collection website (*click here*).

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Treaty could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Headquarters (fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

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General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2013* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Côte d'Ivoire
His Excellency Youssoufou Bamba

Asia-Pacific States:
Saudi Arabia
His Excellency Abdallah Yahya Al-Mouallimi

Eastern European States:
Lithuania
Her Excellency Raimonda Murmokaitė

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Suriname
His Excellency Henry Leonard Mac-Donald

Western European and other States:
Greece
His Excellency Michel Spinellis

Security Council

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